



**TOWN OF DANVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
TOWN COUNCIL UPDATE - SEPTEMBER 2016**



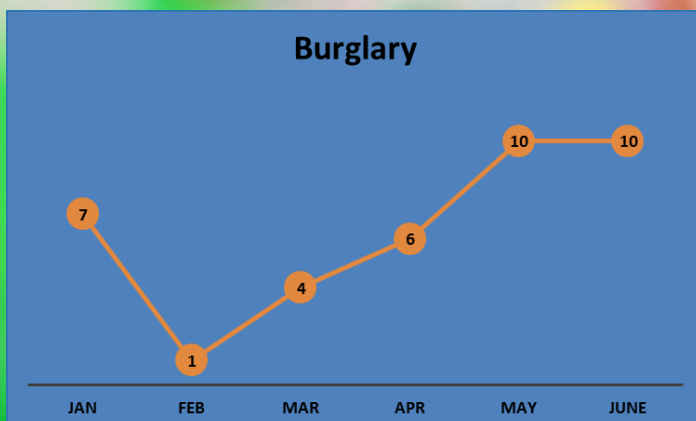
Property Crime: Year to Year Comparison

During the first half of 2015, there were a total of 246 reported property crimes. As a comparison, in 2016 there have been a total of 203 property crimes representing a 17.5% decrease. The crimes included in this chart are burglary, theft and stolen vehicles.



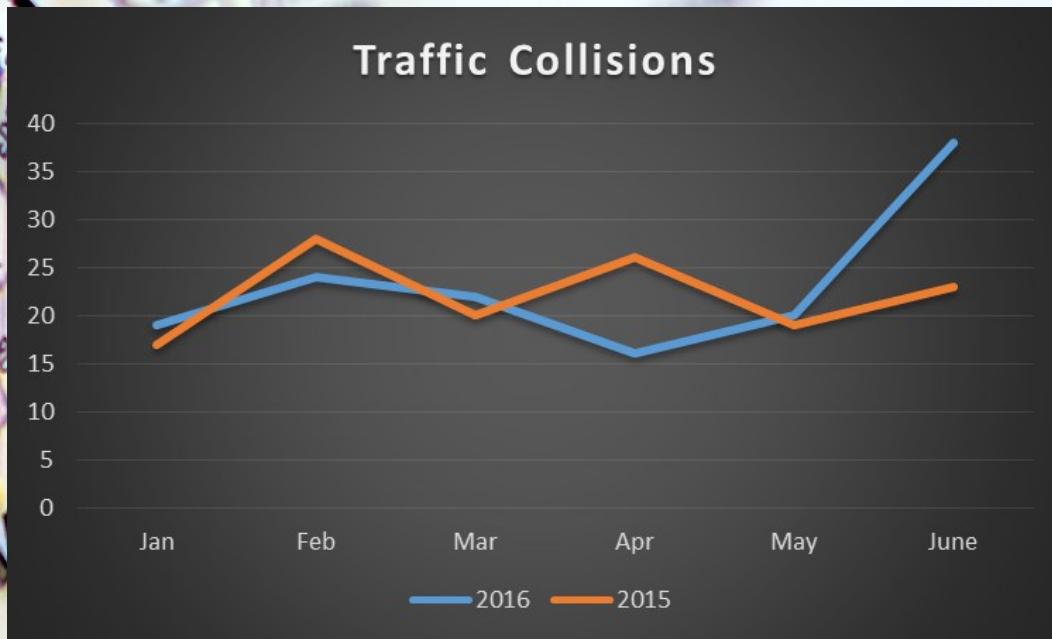
Property Crime Statistics

The monthly average for burglary over the last five years has been 8.5 incidents. The first half of 2016 was 6.3 incidents. The monthly average for theft over the last five years has been 27 incidents. The monthly average for the first half of 2016 was 23 incidents.



Traffic Collisions

Reported traffic collisions during the first six months of 2016 were very similar to 2015. In 2015 there were 133 and in 2016 there were 139, an increase of 4.5%. The increase is reflected in property damage accidents while injury accidents have declined.



Camera Projects Update

The city-wide camera project is underway. All equipment has been ordered and delivery is expected in September. The first phase includes preparing each site for installation so that the cameras can be installed immediately upon product arrival.

The Body-Worn Cameras have been in use by our officers since May 25, 2016.



Coffee & Cocoa with the Cops

During April and May of 2016, the Danville Police Department hosted several informal community gatherings called “Coffee & Cocoa with the Cops.” These events were well attended and allowed residents the opportunity to meet with our officers in a casual setting to discuss public safety issues. Based on the success of these events, more Coffee & Cocoa with the Cops dates are being planned. The Police Department is also starting a program for our younger residents called “Recess with the Cops” having officers accessible to students in an informal setting during their recess breaks.



“Why I Wear the Badge”

Starting in Spring 2016, the Danville Police Department joined a social media campaign called, “Why I Wear the Badge.” This global campaign was started by the International Association of Chiefs of Police with the goal of highlighting the diversity and commitment of the law enforcement profession. Danville PD officers shared their personal reasons behind their motivation to be police officers and were featured weekly on the Danville PD Facebook page. This campaign was very well received by our social media followers.



Community Outreach

Danville PD continues to build the police/community partnership through programs and interaction. Earlier in the year, officers with the Danville PD met with business owners for a Theft Prevention Seminar aimed at giving the merchant community the tools necessary to help prevent or reduce crime. On August 2, 2016, the Danville Police Department visited over two dozen neighborhood get-togethers for National Night Out Against Crime. Officers, reserves and volunteers spent time with residents, answering questions and taking in feedback on law enforcement in Danville.



Youth & Junior Academy Sessions

Building on the success of the popular 'Citizens' Police Academy,' the Danville Police Department expanded the program for young people. The Youth and Junior Academies are designed to give middle and high school aged students a look at the day-to-day life of a law enforcement professional. Classes revolve around police procedure, equipment and officer safety. 2016 was the first year for our new Junior Academy for middle school students.



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